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SUBJECT: INTERGOVERNMENTAL OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION (IOC)

US-USSR CONSULTATIONS

GENEVA FOR CLINGAN, LOS DELEGATION AND WHITE, WMO DELEGATION

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1. CONSULATE GENERAL IS REQUESTED TO INITIATE ARRANGEMENTS FOR US-USSR CONSULTATIONS ON IOC IN CONJUNCTION WITH VISIT OF U.S. SCIENTISTS TO MOSCOW FOR MEETING OF JOINT OCEANOGRAPHY COMMITTEE. IT IS EXPECTED THAT FROM U.S. SIDE

DR. THOMAS CLINGAN, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OES/OFA;  
MR. FEENAN JENNINGS (NSF); MS. JANICE BARNES (OES/OFA/MSO);  
AND ONE OR TWO OTHER MEMBERS OF JOINT COMMITTEE, WILL  
PARTICIPATE IN THESE DISCUSSIONS. AS INITIAL STEP IN  
APPROACHING SOVIETS ON THIS MATTER, CONSULATE GENERAL IS  
REQUESTED TO PASS FOLLOWING LETTER TO ADM. ANATOLIY  
RASSOKHO, HEAD, HYDROGRAPHIC OFFICE OF USSR, 11TH LINIA,  
8, LENINGRAD. FYI. RASSOKHO AND CLINGAN HAVE NOT YET MET  
PERSONALLY, BUT RASSOKHO SHOULD RECALL BOTH JENNINGS AND  
BARNES FROM PREVIOUS IOC MEETINGS. END FYI.

2. DEAR ADMIRAL RASSOKHO,

IN MAY I, TOGETHER WITH OTHER AMERICAN OFFICIALS AND  
SCIENTISTS, WILL BE VISITING MOSCOW FOR A MEETING OF THE  
U.S.-U.S.S.R JOINT COMMITTEE FOR STUDIES OF THE WORLD  
OCEAN. I AND OTHERS OF OUR GROUP WHO ARE ACTIVELY  
INVOLVED IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL  
OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION (IOC) WOULD LIKE TO TAKE ADVAN-  
TAGE OF OUR BEING IN THE SOVIET UNION TO MEET WITH YOU  
AND YOUR COLLEAGUES TO DISCUSS A NUMBER OF MATTERS IN-  
VOLVING THE IOC IN PREPARATION FOR THE NINTH IOC  
ASSEMBLY.

I SUGGEST THAT WE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING TOPICS IN OUR  
DISCUSSIONS: 1) THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN IOC WORKING  
COMMITTEE FOR SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMS AND PLANNING; 2) THE  
FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATIVE INVESTI-  
GATIONS AND OF OTHER PROJECTS WHICH ARE NOT INCLUDED IN  
THESE INVESTIGATIONS; 3) THE ELECTION OF NEW IOC  
OFFICERS; AND 4) THE STAFFING OF THE IOC SECRETARIAT.  
IN OUR VIEW THE FUTURE OF IOC DEPENDS ON SUCCESSFUL  
PURSUIT OF BOTH THE COOPERATIVE INVESTIGATIONS AND THE  
INTERNATIONAL DECADE OF OCEAN EXPLORATION. CORRESPOND-  
INGLY, IT IS ESSENTIAL TO ASSURE THAT THE IOC SECRETARIAT  
HAS THE CAPABILITY TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THESE PROGRAMS.  
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THEREFORE, WE WOULD LIKE TO CAREFULLY REVIEW WITH YOU  
THE CURRENT ORGANIZATION AND RESOURCES OF THE SECRETARIAT  
IN ORDER TO DETERMINE HOW THE SECRETARIAT CAN BEST BE  
IMPROVED TO MEET ITS GROWING NEEDS.

IF THIS IS AGREEABLE TO YOU, WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE FOR YOU  
TO MEET WITH US IN MOSCOW, PREFERABLY ON THE MORNING OF  
TUESDAY, MAY 27, OR ALTERNATIVELY SOMETIME ON THURSDAY,  
MAY 29? IF SO, PLEASE NOTIFY ME THROUGH THE U.S.  
CONSULATE. I EXPECT THAT MR. FEENAN JENNINGS OF THE  
NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION AND MS. JANICE BARNES OF MY  
STAFF WOULD ALSO PARTICIPATE IN THESE CONSULTATIONS.  
IT IS POSSIBLE THAT DR. ROBERT WHITE, ADMINISTRATOR OF

THE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION, DR. ARTHUR MAXWELL OF THE WOODS HOLE OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTITUTION, OR DR. WARREN WOOSTER OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI MAY ALSO PARTICIPATE. MR. DAVID WALLACE OF THE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION REGRETS THAT HE WILL BE UNABLE TO MAKE THIS TRIP TO MOSCOW. HOWEVER, HE AND I WILL BE WORKING CLOSELY TOGETHER IN PREPARING FOR THESE CONSULTATIONS, AND HE WILL BE WRITING TO YOU DIRECTLY REGARDING SOME OF THE ISSUES LISTED ABOVE.

SINCERELY YOURS,

THOMAS A. CLINGAN  
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR OCEANS AND FISHERIES  
AFFAIRS

3. FYI. OTHER SOVIET PARTICIPANTS IN IOC NORMALLY INCLUDE DR. VLADIMIR KORT, INSTITUTE OF OCEANOLOGY, USSR ACADEMY OF SCIENCES; DR. V. M. GRUZINOV, STATE OCEANOGRAPHICAL INSTITUTE; MRS. V. I. AIVAZOVA, USSR NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO; AND DR. VITALI SLADKOV, OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMITTEE OF THE SOVIET UNION. HOWEVER, FOR SUBJECT CONSULTATIONS U.S. REPS WOULD PREFER TO DEAL WITH RASSOKHO AND WITH SOVIET OFFICIALS IN ABOVE-LISTED OFFICES WHO ARE MORE DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN ESTABLISHMENT OF SOVIET POLICY TOWARDS IOC.

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4. WITH REGARD TO PROPOSED DISCUSSION TOPIC ON STAFFING OF IOC SECRETARIAT, U.S. REPS INTEND TO DISCUSS BOTH GENERAL PHILOSOPHY AND POSSIBLE REPLACEMENT OF KEY MEMBERS OF SECRETARIAT. LETTER FROM WALLACE TO RASSOKHO ON THIS MATTER WILL FOLLOW (AS REFERENCED IN CLINGAN LETTER). DEPT. RECOGNIZES DESIRABILITY OF PASSING BOTH LETTERS TO RASSOKHO AT SAME TIME, BUT CONSIDERING LIMITED LEAD TIME AVAILABLE FOR ARRANGING CONSULTATIONS, DEPT. RECOMMENDS THAT CONSULATE GENERAL ARRANGE TO PASS CLINGAN LETTER TO RASSOKHO ASAP, WITH WALLACE LETTER TO FOLLOW. IF ABOVE LETTER CANNOT BE DELIVERED TO RASSOKHO IMMEDIATELY, REQUEST CONSULATE AND EMBASSY TO ARRANGE FOR DELIVERY TO EQUIVALENT POLICY-LEVEL OFFICIAL OF ONE OF AGENCIES LISTED ABOVE.

5. RASSOKHO SHOULD BE REMINDED TO CHECK WITH HIS COLLEAGUES INVOLVED WITH MEETING OF JOINT OCEANS COMMITTEE TO ASSURE THAT CONSULTATIONS ON IOC DO NOT INTERFERE WITH COMMITTEE'S ACTIVITIES. END FYI. KISSINGER

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